## **Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Currently amended) A radioactive source suitable for use in brachytherapy comprising:
  - a biocompatible echogenic container;
  - <u>a</u> radioactive isotope of iodine in the form of iodide ions or an iodine-containing compound, adsorbed on the surface of a substantially non-radiation attenuating substrate, with the proviso that when the iodine is in the form of iodide ions, then the substrate is not an ion exchange resin;

wherein said substrate and said adsorbed iodine is sealed within said container.

- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Previously presented) The radioactive source of claim 1 wherein the isotope of iodine is iodine-125.
- 5. (Previously presented) The radioactive source of claim 1 which has an activity in the range of about 200 mCi to about 1200 mCi.

- 6. (Previously presented) The radioactive source of claim 1 which has an activity in the range of about 0.1 to about 5 mCi.
- 7. (Previously presented) The radioactive source of claim 1 wherein the iodine containing compound is an iodohalogen compound, an organic compound containing a carbon-iodine bond, an iodoso-compound, a diaryliodinium salt, an N-iodoamide, an iodoxy aryl compound or a covalently bonded inorganic iodide compound.
- 8. (Currently amended) The radioactive source of claim 1 wherein the substrate is at least partially formed from a material selected from the group consisting of carbon, alumina, a zeolite, a titanium oxide, silica, a silicon oxide, a zeolite-type trivalent metal silicate, a metal phosphate, a metal hydroxyphosphate, a glass glassy material, aluminum nitride, a ceramic, a radiation resistant polymer, bone, coral, coal, limestone, cellulose, starch, agar, gelatin, chitin or and hair.
- 9. (Previously presented) The radioactive source of claim 1 wherein the substrate is carbon.
- 10. (Previously presented) The radioactive source of claim 1 further comprising a binder.

- 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Currently amended) A method of treatment of a condition which is responsive to radiation therapy which comprises the temporary placement of the radioactive source, including a radioisotope of iodine in the form of iodide ions or an iodine-containing compound adsorbed on the surface of a substantially non-radiation attenuating substrate, of claim 1 at the site to be treated within a patient for a sufficient period of time to deliver a therapeutically effective dose.
- 14. (Currently amended) A method for the inhibition of restenosis at a site within the vascular system of a patient which has previously been subjected to PTCA, the method comprising the temporary placement of the radioactive source, including a radioisotope of iodine in the form of iodide ions or an iodine containing compound adsorbed on the surface of a substantially non-radiation attenuating substrate, of claim 1 at the site to be treated within a patient for a sufficient period of time to deliver a therapeutically effective dose.
- 15. (Canceled)